

**IN THE CLAIMS**

Please amend the claims to be in the form as follows:

**Claim 1 (currently amended): A method of manufacturing a circular optical storage disc, comprising:**

providing a substrate with a first surface and a periphery; and

providing a coating on the first surface by applying a liquid, rotating the substrate,

and solidifying the liquid; and

wherein:

when applying the liquid onto the first surface, the substrate is present in a separate extension body;

the extension body having substantially circumferential contact with the periphery of the substrate;

the extension body having a surface substantially flush with the first surface of the substrate, wherein said extension body further comprises at least two parts; and

after substantial solidification of the liquid, the extension body and the substrate are separated.

**Claim 2 (previously presented): The method as claimed in Claim 1, wherein said extension body has an outer periphery which has a circular shape.**

**Claim 3 (previously presented): The method as claimed in Claim 1, wherein said extension body has an outer periphery which has a polygonal shape.**

**Claim 4 (previously presented): The method as claimed in Claim 3, wherein said extension body has an outer periphery which has a regular polygonal shape.**

**Claim 5 (previously presented): The method as claimed in Claim 1, wherein the surface of the extension body consists of substantially the same material as the substrate of the optical storage disc.**

**Claim 6 (previously presented): The method as claimed in Claim 1, wherein the surface of the**

extension body consists of a material to which the coating adheres relatively poorly.

~~Claim 7 (currently amended): The method as claimed in Claim 1, wherein said extension body is composed of at least two parts with have surfaces substantially flush with the first surface of the substrate.~~

~~Claim 8 (previously presented): The method as claimed in Claim 1, wherein the liquid is solidified by exposure to UV light.~~

~~Claims 9-14 (cancelled)~~

~~Claim 15 (previously presented): The method of Claim 1, wherein the substantial solidification being sufficient so that coating breaks off at the periphery of the substrate.~~

~~Claim 16 (previously presented): The method of Claim 1, wherein the substantial solidification being sufficient so that the separation releases coating from the extension body.~~

~~Claim 17 (new): The method of Claim 1, wherein the at least two parts of said extension body are congruent.~~

~~Claim 18 (new): The method as claimed in Claim 3, wherein a number sides for the at least two sides used to form said polygonal shape is equal to half of the sides within said polygonal shape.~~

~~Claim 19 (new): The method as claimed in Claim 18, wherein each of said number of sides is congruent.~~